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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action mailed January 30, 2003, be extended for a period of three (3) months from April 30, 2003 to and including July 30, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$465.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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